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## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 730 By Bone

A RESOLUTION to honor Naser M. Ammash, M.D., for his outstanding consultant work with the Mayo Clinic's Congenital Heart Clinic at Saint Mary's Hospital in Rochester, Minnesota.

WHEREAS, from time to time this General Assembly has deemed it appropriate to recognize those individuals who have diligently and meritoriously served their communities and professions, making significant contributions to society; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Naser M. Ammash deserves the commendation of this Body for his dedication and devotion to the care of patients with Congenital Heart Disease and for his efforts in teamwork at the Mayo Clinic: an experiment in cooperative individualism; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ammash is carrying forward the spirit of William J. Mayo, M.D., and Charles Horace Mayo, M.D., in promoting patient care, medical research and medical education; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ammash is carrying on the tradition of attracting the medical world to the doorstep of the Mayo Clinic to observe their methods of performing surgery and caring for patients; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Ammash works as a member of a multi-specialty team approach to medicine, giving patients the opportunity to consult with specialists from virtually every medical field; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ammash gives support to medical research that keeps the Mayo Clinic at the forefront of discovery and extends the most current knowledge to their patients; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ammash extends medical excellence and human kindness to each individual patient; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Naser M. Ammash teaches and trains specialists, teaching students Mayo's thorough, personal brand of medicine; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ammash helps to extend Mayo's health care nationwide; and WHEREAS, Dr. Naser M. Ammash offers, to both the sick and well, comprehensive medical care of the highest standard through a coordinated and integrated group practice of medicine; and

WHEREAS, in addition, he helps offer to outstanding men and women opportunities for education in clinical medicine, in the sciences related to medicine, and in all the allied health professions, thereby improving standards and broadening the availability of medical care in this country and throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, to his credit, he helps to advance and enlarge knowledge and skill in medicine, and the sciences related to medicine, through research directed toward a broader understanding of people in health and disease, prevention of illness, and diagnostic and therapeutic measures; and

WHEREAS, it can be said without reservation that Dr. Naser M. Ammash, Consultant at the Mayo Clinic Congenital Heart Clinic, is following the principles and ideals of the founders, Dr. William James Mayo and Dr. Charles Horace Mayo, and their objectives in medical practice, medical education, and medical research to all persons regardless of race, color, age, national origin, sex, disability, or religion, and upon the ideal that the first obligation is to the patients; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Naser M. Ammash, Consultant, performs his duties without financial benefit beyond reasonable compensation; and

WHEREAS, he helps direct the resources of the institution to be used only in achievement of the purposes stated above, and in keeping with the highest moral, ethical, and legal standards, now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and commend Naser M. Ammash, M.D., Consultant for the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, for his exemplary service to the Mayo Clinic's Congenital Heart Clinic.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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